



Crop Progress and Condition

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Agricultural News: Days suitable for fieldwork were 6.2. Weather conditions were beneficial for hay making and planting crops. There were some reports of corn starting to show signs of rolling. Farming activities for the week included planting cotton, peanuts, and soybeans, and harvesting barley and winter wheat.

SOIL MOISTURE for week ending 06/11/17

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	%	%	%	%
Topsoil	2	12	84	2
Subsoil	-	11	82	7

- Represents zero.

CROP CONDITIONS for week ending 06/11/17

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	%	%	%	%	%
Barley	5	5	18	59	13
Corn	-	5	22	62	11
Cotton	-	-	10	90	-
Hay, Alfalfa	-	2	28	64	6
Hay, Other	2	6	24	61	7
Peanuts	-	-	10	90	-
Soybeans	-	3	15	80	2
Tobacco, Burley	-	-	43	54	3
Tobacco, Fire-cured	-	-	5	78	17
Tobacco, Flue-cured	-	-	6	77	17
Winter Wheat	1	3	21	56	19
Pasture	1	7	21	57	14

- Represents zero.

CROP PROGRESS for week ending 06/11/17

Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Barley harvested for grain	46	22	18	-
Corn emerged	94	90	85	91
Cotton planted	92	85	83	96
Cotton squaring	12	2	15	10
Peanuts planted	92	86	81	95
Soybeans planted	73	58	43	55
Soybeans emerged	52	33	30	41

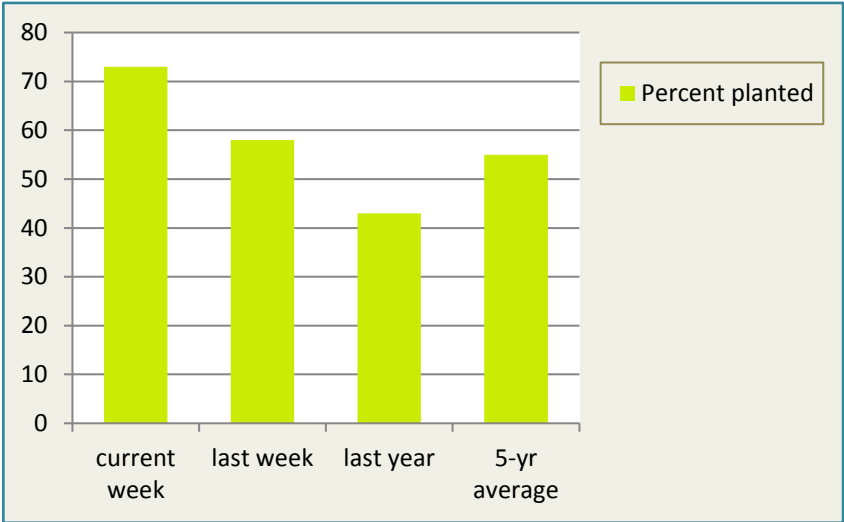
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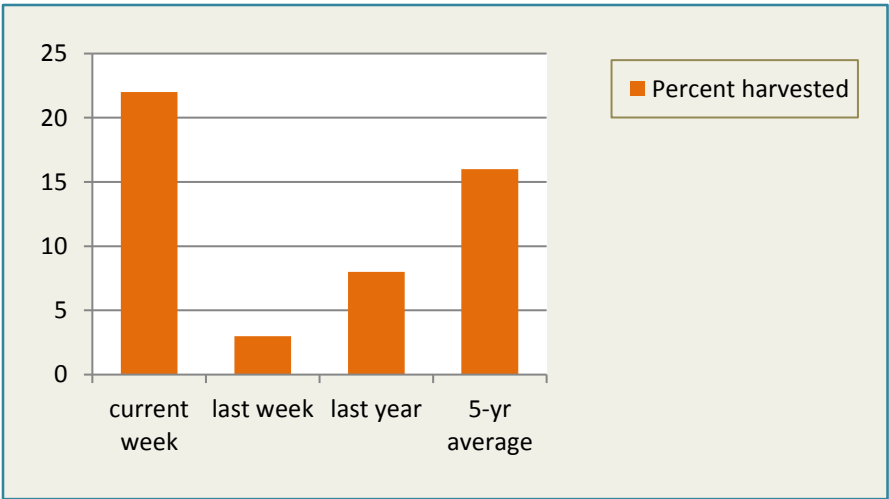
Crop Stage	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Yr Avg
	%	%	%	%
Tobacco, Burley transplanted	93	78	59	76
Tobacco, Fire-cured transplanted	94	89	59	-
Tobacco, Flue-cured transplanted	94	87	77	-
Winter Wheat harvested for grain	22	3	8	16

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SOYBEANS PLANTED for week ending 06/11/17



WHEAT HARVESTED for week ending 06/11/17



Weather Summary- For the week ending June 11, 2017

City	Temperature						Growing degree days (modified base 50)		Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Mar. 1 to June 10	Mar. 1 to June 10 norm	Last Week	Since June 1	June 1 dep. from normal *	Jan. 1 to date	Jan. 1 dep. from normal *
Lynchburg	78	55	86	51	66	-3	1206	1079	0.26	0.26	-0.97	18.90	-0.38
Norfolk	80	62	91	55	71	-1	1467	1147	0.91	0.91	-0.14	20.69	1.18
Richmond	80	58	89	53	69	-2	1352	1202	0.09	0.09	-1.03	16.85	-2.08
Roanoke	78	56	88	51	67	-2	1266	NA	1.11	1.11	-0.15	22.24	3.07
Wash/Dulles	78	55	87	50	67	-1	1124	NA	0.05	0.05	-1.61	17.66	-0.54

* Normal based on 1971-2000 data. NA-Not available. Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>. Source: USDA, NASS, Virginia Field Office.

REPORTER COMMENTS BY COUNTY – Comments are based on remarks made by extension agents, farmers, commodity specialists, and other knowledgeable individuals.

NORTHERN

ROCKINGHAM (Doug Horn)
Good week for making hay. Soil is getting dry.

WESTERN

ROCKBRIDGE (Thomas Stanley)
The week started in Rockbridge cool and wet with around 1 inch of rain for most of the area on Monday. By Thursday afternoon temperatures were seasonally warm and most farmers were busy in the hayfield with a forecast for very warm and dry conditions through Monday. Hay making dominated farm activities this week, especially Thursday through Sunday.

CENTRAL

AMELIA (Laura Siegle)
We had more sun and dry weather this week, which resulted in improvement in some of our plant disease setbacks. Some of the corn crop is showing more leaf yellowing this week. We see lots of soybeans in the seedling stage.

CAROLINE (Mike Broaddus)
The soil is starting to dry out quickly due to no rainfall and to very hot and sunny weather. Some corn is starting to show signs of rolling, in very gravelly areas of some fields.

CHESTERFIELD/GOOCHLAND (Charlotte Maxwell)
Another dry, warm week.

EASTERN

KING GEORGE (Mike Broaddus)
The soil is starting to dry out quickly due to no rainfall and to very hot and sunny weather. Some corn is starting to show signs of rolling, in very gravelly areas of some fields.

NORTHAMPTON (Ursula Deitch)
Last Monday yielded nearly 4 inches of rain in lower Northampton County. It was not suitable to harvest wheat until Friday. Soybean planting after wheat harvest is occurring quickly.

SOUTHERN

LUNENBURG (Lindy Tucker)
Things are moving along. Still putting in beans - it dried off enough to make some progress. Tobacco's jumping up, still have grass in the pastures, and folks are putting up hay as hard as they can go. Can't complain.

SOUTHEASTERN

CHESAPEAKE CITY (Watson Lawrence Jr.)
Rain continues to saturate soils, hindering planting and development of crops. Few days for proper cutting and curing of hay.

BRUNSWICK (Cynthia Gregg)
Crops have jumped in the past two weeks. Overall not too bad looking. There are a few spots in some fields where it appears crops drowned out from previous rains. Late first cutting hay is being baled.

PRINCE GEORGE (Scott Reiter)
The week started out wet, but field activities were brisk at weeks end. Soybean planting made good progress after a couple weeks of struggling with wet conditions. Most first cutting hay has been made with a little second cutting hitting the ground over the weekend. Wheat harvest got started over the weekend, but no yield reports yet.